



# Sheridan County Montana

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	458	-13
Land in farms (acres)	1,064,068	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	2,323	+18
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	70,570,000	-46
Government payments	11,702,000	+54
Farm-related income	26,840,000	+283
Total farm production expenses	86,837,000	-5
Net cash farm income	22,275,000	-58
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	154,083	-37
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	31,712	+93
Farm-related income	75,182	+257
Total farm production expenses	189,601	+9
Net cash farm income	48,634	-51

**2** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	83
Livestock, poultry, and products	17

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	74
Pastureland	24
Woodland	(Z)
Other	2

**Acres irrigated: 4,576**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	41
Reduced till	21
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	3

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	121	26
\$2,500 to \$4,999	10	2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	18	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	39	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	35	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54	12
\$100,000 or more	181	40

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	14	3
10 to 49 acres	7	2
50 to 179 acres	54	12
180 to 499 acres	78	17
500 to 999 acres	49	11
1,000 + acres	256	56

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,570</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>58,429</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	56,392	7	54	698	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	7	42	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	27	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	31	35	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	9	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	48	56	(D)	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>12,141</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1,989</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	(D)	20	53	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	12,009	45	56	1,123	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	25	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	62	46	55	1,600	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	15	51	56	2,237	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	13	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	52	-	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>705</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>	
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	86	
Male	492			
Female	213	Farm organically	1	
<b>Age</b>		Sell directly to consumers	-	
<35	64	Hire farm labor	34	
35 – 64	394	Are family farms	94	
65 and older	247			
<b>Race</b>			<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>	
American Indian/Alaska Native	5		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Asian	-		Cattle and calves	17,651
Black or African American	1		Goats	(D)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs	(D)
White	697		Horses and ponies	295
More than one race	2		Layers	93
<b>Other characteristics</b>			Pullets	-
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2		Sheep and lambs	469
With military service	52		Turkeys	-
New and beginning farmers	129			

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

<sup>a</sup> May not add to 100% due to rounding. <sup>b</sup> Among counties whose rank can be displayed. <sup>c</sup> Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.